



How to finish the Qur'an in 30 days



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Allah the Most Exalted



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The Importance of Reading the Qur'ān and How to Read it in a Short Period

Chapter One

A — Reminder About the Value & Importance of the Qur'ān



Allah ﷻ says in the Qur'an:

- 1 (...)
فَإِمَّا يَأْتِيَنَّكُمْ مِنِّي هُدًى فَمَنِ اتَّبَعَ هُدَايَ فَلَا يَضِلُّ وَلَا يَشْقَى
(...) Then if there comes to you guidance from Me, then whoever follows My Guidance he shall neither go astray nor shall he be distressed.
- وَمَنْ أَعْرَضَ عَن ذِكْرِي فَإِنَّ لَهُ مَعِيشَةً ضَنْكًا وَنَحْشُرُهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَمَةِ أَعْمَى
"But whosoever turns away from My Reminder (i.e. neither believes in this Qur'ân nor acts on its teachings.) verily, for him is a life of hardship and We shall raise him up blind on the Day of Resurrection."
- قَالَ رَبِّ لِمَ حَشَرْتَنِي أَعْمَى وَقَدْ كُنْتُ بَصِيرًا
He will say: "O my Lord! Why have you raised me up blind while I had sight (before)."
- قَالَ كَذَلِكَ أَتَتْكَ آيَاتُنَا فَنَسِيَتْهَا ۖ وَكَذَلِكَ الْيَوْمَ تُنْسَى
(Allâh) will say: "Like this: Our Ayât (proofs, evidence, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) came to you, but you disregarded them (ie you left them, did not think deeply about them, and you turned away from them), and so this Day, you will be neglected (in the Hell-fire, away from Allah's Mercy)."

Surah Taha 123-126

Allah ﷻ says he sent down the Qur'ān as guidance. Whoever follows it will neither be misguided nor be from the people of Hellfire. He will be saved from harm in the Dunya and, in the Hereafter, goodness will await him. In contrast, whoever turns away from the Qur'ān will live a hard life in this world and, in the Hereafter, he will be resurrected blind.

Why will he be resurrected blind?

Because guidance came to him, but he turned a blind eye to it, chose misguidance and preferred darkness over light, insight and knowledge.

B — Finishing the Qur'an in a Short Period

THE QUR'AN WAS SENT TO BE RECITED.



Finishing it in a short period helps us recite and revise it over and over again.

Allah ﷻ says:

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(...) وَرَتِّلِ الْقُرْآنَ تَرْتِيلًا

And recite the Qur'ân (aloud) in a slow, (pleasant tone and) style.

Surah al-Muzzammil 4
- 3

إِنَّ الَّذِينَ يَتْلُونَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ وَأَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَأَنْفَقُوا مِمَّا رَزَقْنَاهُمْ سِرًّا وَعَلَانِيَةً يَرْجُونَ تِجَارَةً لَّن تَبُورَ

Verily, those who recite the Book of Allah (this Qur'ân), and perform As-Salât (Iqâmat-as-Salât), and spend (in charity) out of what We have provided for them, secretly and openly, they hope for a (sure) trade-gain that will never perish.

لِيُؤْفِقَهُمْ أُجُورَهُمْ وَيَزِيدَهُم مِّن فَضْلِهِ ۚ إِنَّهُ غَفُورٌ شَكُورٌ

That He may pay them their wages in full, and give them (even) more, out of His Grace. Verily He is Oft-Forgiving, Most Ready to appreciate (good deeds and to recompense).

Surah Fatir 29-30

Those who recite the Qur'ân and establish the prayers engage in a trade with Allah ﷻ. It is a trade that never fails and brings profit upon profit.

Note: In the verse, Allah ﷻ mentions reciting the Qur'ân even before he talks about establishing prayers (thereby hinting at its importance).

C — How to Finish the Qur'ân in a Short Period

According to the Salaf, one can finish the Qur'ân as many times as they wish during Ramadan.

FINISHING THE QUR'AN IN ONE DAY

AJZA/PARTS **30**

TIME PER JUZ **30 MINS**

TOTAL HOURS **15**

AJZA PER PRAYER TIME **6**

To finish all 30 Ajza, one needs $(30 * 30) = 900$ minutes = **15 hours**. You can divide these 15 hours among the 5 daily prayers and designate portions to recite before and after every prayer.

FINISHING THE QUR'AN IN THREE DAYS



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AJZA TO READ EACH DAY

1 DAY

SURAH AL FATIHA, VERSE 1 - SURAH AT-TAWBAH, VERSE 93

2 DAY

SURAH AT TAWBAH, VERSE 94 - SURAH AL ANKABUT, VERSE 44

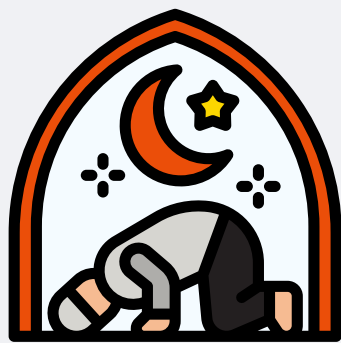
3 DAY

SURAH AL ANKABUT, VERSE 45 - SURAH AN NAS, VERSE 6



5
HRS

FINISHING TIME FOR 10 AJZA



2

AJZA TO READ EACH PRAYER TIME

You could also recite for 1 hour around each prayer
OR continue reciting after Fajr until around 9:30
AM - 10:00 AM in the morning

FINISHING THE QUR'AN IN SEVEN DAYS

The Sahaba used to complete their recitation of the Qur'ān every 7 days. They divided their recitation on the basis of Surahs instead of Ajza, reciting an odd number of Surahs each day.

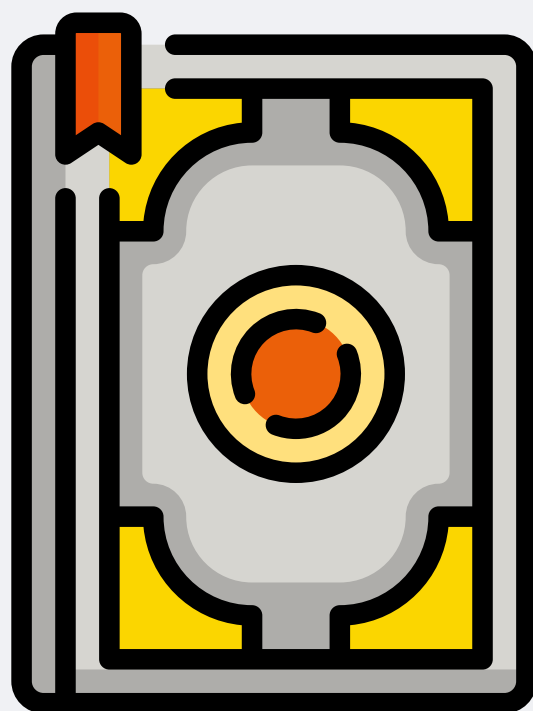
To summarise, here is the number of surahs they recited each day:

- **DAY 1** SURAH AL-FATIHA + 3
They would start with Surah al-Baqarah, Ali 'Imran and an-Nisa (they did recite Surah al-Fatiha but counted only these 3 to keep it odd-numbered)
- **DAY 2** RECITE 5 SURAHS
They recited al-Ma'idah, al-An'am, al-A'raf, al-Anfal and at-Tawbah - thus making it five.
- **DAY 3** RECITE 7 SURAHS
They recited Yunus, Hud, Yusuf, ar-Ra'd, Ibrahim... and so on, keeping it odd-numbered.
- **DAY 4** RECITE 9 SURAHS
They would continue increasing the number until they reached the end of Surah al-Fath or al-Hujurat (based on the difference of their calculations and counts)
- **DAY 5** RECITE 11 SURAHS
- **DAY 6** RECITE 13 SURAHS
- **DAY 7** SURAH 48/49-114
They would recite Surah al-Hujurat or Qaf (depending on where they had paused) till the end of Surah an-Nas. They recited all of these short Surahs in one day.

FINISHING THE QUR'AN

15 DAYS

2 AJZA = 1 HOUR
PER DAY



30 DAYS

1 JUZ = 30 MINS
PER DAY

Note: The Salaf were of the opinion that anyone who takes more than 30 days to finish the Qur'ān is the one mentioned in the ayah:

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وَقَالَ الرَّسُولُ يَرْبِّ إِنَّ قَوْمِي اتَّخَذُوا هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ مَهْجُورًا

And the Messenger (Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم) will say: "O my Lord! Verily, my people deserted this Qur'ān (neither listened to it nor acted on its laws and teachings).

Surah al-Furqan 30

From the rights of the Qur'ān upon us is that we recite it. If you do not finish the Qur'ān in 30 days then you have abandoned it in terms of its recitation.

There are different ways in which people abandon the Qur'ān:

- In terms of understanding its meaning
- In terms of acting upon its verses
- In terms of recitation (by exceeding 30 days)
- In terms of ruling by it, and so on

IF YOU ARE
حَافِظ
HAFIDH

▶ A lot of scholars say that a Hafidh should not take more than 7 days to complete the Qur'ān. The purpose behind this is to preserve the Qur'ān in your memory. If you fail to do so, you will start forgetting it.

Therefore, our Prophet (ﷺ) said:

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تَعَاهَدُوا الْقُرْآنَ فَوَالَّذِي نَفْسِي بِيَدِهِ لَهَوَ أَشَدُّ تَفْصِيًّا مِنَ الْإِبِلِ فِي عُقْلِهَا

"Commit yourself to the Qur'ān, for by Him in whose Hand is my soul, it is surely more prone to break away than a camel in its bind."

Sahih al-Bukhari 5033

Whoever thinks he or she cannot recite 1 Juz in 30 minutes is not used to reciting the Qur'ān. We should give this Book a chance and strive to reach a level where we can finish it in a short time while preserving its words and their pronunciation.

D — There are 3 Known Ways of Reciting the Qur'ān

They are:

1

AT-TAHQEEQ

2

AT-TADWEER

3

AL-HADR

Al-Hadr is the one implemented in this course. In it a person recites fast while preserving the Makhaarij al-Huroof (pronunciation of letters).

There is also **Sifaat al-Huroof** (characteristics of letters).

They are divided into:

- **Sifaat al-Laazima** - Obligatory characteristics
- **Sifaat al-'Aarida** - Characteristics that can be omitted
such as ghunna (nasalisation) and mudood (lengthening of sounds)

In al-Hadr, Sifaat al-Laazima are observed in addition to Makhaarij al-Huroof.

As a recitation method, al-Hadr has been considered permissible by scholars like Ibn al-Jazari, As-Sakhaawi, Ibn Shaama, al-Qastallaani and Imam al-Zarkashi.

Don't Forsake the Qur'ān After Ramadan

Chapter Two

The purpose behind this course is to show you that the Qur'ān can be finished at least once in the month of Ramadan. However, as a Muslim who loves the Book of Allah ﷻ, you would want to finish it many more times in this blessed month.

Let us remind ourselves of the importance of this miracle.

1 Importance of the Qur'ān - Its Gems and Jewels

THIS BOOK INDICATES THE KNOWLEDGE OF ALLAH.



It holds the keys to our salvation.

Unfortunately, we look for joy and success in things that are detrimental to us such as social media, phones, etc. instead of looking for them in the Qur'ān.

The Qur'ān is the Kalaam (Speech) of Allah ﷻ. It is the best of speeches. Scholars say that the virtue of Allah's ﷻ speech over the speech of His creation is like the virtue of Allah ﷻ over His creation.

Allah ﷻ says in His Book:

1

وَإِنْ أَحَدٌ مِّنَ الْمُشْرِكِينَ اسْتَجَارَكَ فَأَجِرْهُ حَتَّى يَسْمَعَ كَلِمَ اللَّهِ (...)

And if anyone of the Mushrikûn (polytheists, idolaters, pagans, disbelievers in the Oneness of Allah) seeks your protection, then grant him protection so that he may hear the Word of Allah (the Qur'ân) (...)

Surah at-Tawbah 6

2

(...) يُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يُبَدِّلُوا كَلِمَ اللَّهِ ۖ (...)

(...) They want to change Allah's Words (...)

Surah al-Fath 15

The Qur'ān is not like the speech of others. Why is it that instead of giving importance to the Qur'ān, we turn towards the speech of humans by reading novels, fiction, watching movies and learning songs?

The Qur'ān is so great that even the previous prophets told their nations about the Qur'ān. Allah ﷻ says:

3

وَإِنَّهُ لَفِي زُبُرِ الْأَوَّلِينَ

And verily, it (the Qur'ân, and its revelation to Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ)) is (announced) in the Scriptures [i.e. the Taurât (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)] of former people.

Surah ash-Shu'ara 196

4

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ عَلَى عَبْدِهِ الْكِتَابَ وَلَمْ يَجْعَلْ لَهُ عِوَجًا

All the praises and thanks be to Allâh, Who has sent down to His slave (Muhammad (ﷺ)) the Book (the Qur'ân), and has not placed therein any crookedness.

Surah al-Kahf 1

The Qur'ân is full of wisdom and it holds a high position. If you make it a part of your life, it will make you wise in return. A lot of Muslims fail to realize it. Thus, they end up seeking wisdom elsewhere.

Allah ﷻ tells us that he has favoured our nation:

5

لَقَدْ مَنَّ اللَّهُ عَلَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ إِذْ بَعَثَ فِيهِمْ رَسُولًا مِّنْ أَنفُسِهِمْ يَتْلُوا عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتِهِ وَيُزَكِّيهِمْ وَيُعَلِّمُهُمُ الْكِتَابَ وَالْحِكْمَةَ وَإِن كَانُوا مِن قَبْلُ لَفِي ضَلَالٍ مُّبِينٍ

Indeed Allâh conferred a great favour on the believers when He sent among them a Messenger (Muhammad (ﷺ)) from among themselves, reciting unto them His Verses (the Qur'ân), and purifying them (from sins by their following him), and instructing them (in) the Book (the Qur'ân) and Al-Hikmah [the wisdom and the Sunnah of the Prophet (ﷺ) (i.e. his legal ways, statements, acts of worship)], while before that they had been in manifest error.

Surah Ali 'Imran 164

In this ayah, we see that among the favours of Allah ﷻ upon us is that he sent to this nation Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) who recited the Qur'ân to his people and educated them with it.

In Surah ar-Rahman, Allah ﷻ mentions numerous blessings He has bestowed upon mankind and the Jinns, the first of them being:

6

عَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ

He has taught (you mankind) the Qur'ân (by His Mercy).

Surah ar-Rahman 2

Honour and greatness lie in sticking to the Qur'ân. The closer you are to this Book, the more honourable you become. It lets you enjoy greatness in this world and also in the Hereafter. Allah ﷻ says:

7

لَقَدْ أَنْزَلْنَا إِلَيْكُمْ كِتَابًا فِيهِ ذِكْرُكُمْ أَفَلَا تَعْقِلُونَ

Indeed, We have sent down for you (O mankind) a Book (the Qur'ân) in which there is Dhikrukum,(your Reminder or honour for you i.e. honour for the one who follows the teaching of the Qur'ân and acts on its teachings). Will you not then understand?

Surah al-Anbya 10

When the time for prayer comes and everyone stands in rows before Allah ﷻ, nobody gets to lead the prayer - not even the leaders - except the one who knows the Qur'ân. The Prophet (ﷺ) said:

8

يَوْمُ الْقَوْمِ أَقْرَوْهُمْ لِكِتَابِ اللَّهِ (...)

The one who is most versed in Allah's Book should act as Imam for the people (...)

Sahih Muslim 673a

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إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَرْفَعُ بِهَذَا الْكِتَابِ أَقْوَامًا وَيَضَعُ بِهِ آخَرِينَ

By this Book, Allah would exalt some people and degrade others.

Sahih Muslim 817a

We have examples of great scholars of the Qur'an such as Imam ibn al-Jazari, Imam ash-Shaatibi and Abu 'Amr ad-Daani. Besides being rich, they were famous businessmen of their time.

Today, we do not remember them as successful merchants. Their success in trade ended with them. It is only because Allah ﷻ raised them through the Qur'an that we mention them and quote from their works.

If Allah ﷻ willed, He would have deprived us of this blessed Book. He says:

10

وَلَئِنْ شِئْنَا لَنَذْهَبَنَّ بِالَّذِي أَوْحَيْنَا إِلَيْكَ ثُمَّ لَا تَجِدُ لَكَ بِهِ عَلَيْنَا وَكِيلًا

And if We willed, We could surely take away that which We have revealed to you (i.e. this Qur'an). Then you would find no protector for you against Us in that respect.

This verse is addressed not only to the Prophet (ﷺ) but also to us.

In the next verse, Allah ﷻ says that out of His mercy, He did not deprive us of the Qur'an:

11

إِلَّا رَحْمَةً مِنْ رَبِّكَ ۚ إِنَّ فَضْلَهُ كَانَ عَلَيْكَ كَبِيرًا

Except as a Mercy from your Lord. Verily His Grace unto you (O Muhammad ﷺ) is ever great.

Then He ﷻ tells us that the Qur'an is irreplaceable. Humans and Jinns cannot create anything like it. He says:

12

قُلْ لِّئِنْ أَجْتَمَعَتِ الْإِنْسُ وَالْجِنُّ عَلَى أَنْ يَأْتُوا بِمِثْلِ هَذَا الْقُرْآنِ لَا يَأْتُونَ بِمِثْلِهِ وَلَوْ كَانَ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ ظَهِيرًا

Say: "If the mankind and the jinn were together to produce the like of this Qur'an, they could not produce the like thereof, even if they helped one another."

Surah al-Isra 86 - 88

This is because it is the speech of Allah ﷻ - al-Khaaliq (The Creator). The Makhlooq (creation) and their speech can never reach His level.

Allah ﷻ says in His Book:

13

هَذَا بَيَانٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَهُدًى وَمَوْعِظَةٌ لِّلْمُتَّقِينَ

This (the Qur'an) is a plain statement for mankind, a guidance and instruction to those who are Al-Muttaqûn (the pious).

Surah Ali 'Imran 138

Abdullah Ibn Mas'ood (رضي الله عنه) said regarding this ayah: In this Book, Allah ﷻ clarifies all things - every piece of knowledge, science, etc.

The Qur'ān is sufficient for us. We do not need to turn towards things like philosophy and the works of disbelievers. Allah ﷻ admonishes us by saying:

14

أَوَلَمْ يَكْفِهِمْ أَنَّا أَنزَلْنَا عَلَيْكَ الْكِتَابَ يُتْلَىٰ عَلَيْهِمْ إِنَّ فِي ذَٰلِكَ لَرَحْمَةً وَذِكْرَىٰ لِقَوْمٍ يُؤْمِنُونَ

And is it not sufficient for them that We revealed to you the Book [i.e., the Qur'ān] which is recited to them? Indeed in that is a mercy and reminder for a people who believe.

Surah al-'Ankabut 51

We should aim to memorise this Book. Once we have done so, we should strive to understand and learn its meanings.

Muhammad Ibn Ibrahim Ibn al-Wazir al Yamaani wrote in his book *Tarjih asalib al-Qur'ān ala asalib al-Yunan*: The Qur'ān contains logical arguments that can refute all questions and claims that try to oppose it.

As for him who is ignorant of the knowledge of the Qur'ān, he cannot benefit from these arguments.

Allah ﷻ says:

15

اللَّهُ نَزَّلَ أَحْسَنَ الْحَدِيثِ كِتَابًا مُّتَشَابِهًا مَّثَانِيَ تَقْشَعِرُّ مِنْهُ جُلُودُ الَّذِينَ يَخْشَوْنَ رَبَّهُمْ ثُمَّ تَلِينُ جُلُودُهُمْ وَقُلُوبُهُمْ إِلَىٰ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ ۚ ذَٰلِكَ هُدَىٰ اللَّهِ يَهْدِي بِهِ ۚ مَن يَشَاءُ ۚ وَمَن يُضْلِلِ اللَّهُ فَمَا لَهُ مِن هَادٍ

Allâh has sent down the Best Statement, a Book (this Qur'ân), its parts resembling each other (in goodness and truth) (and) oft-repeated. The skins of those who fear their Lord shiver from it (when they recite it or hear it). Then their skin and their heart soften to the remembrance of Allâh. That is the guidance of Allâh. He Guides therewith whom He wills; and whomever Allâh sends astray, for him there is no guide.

Surah az-Zumar 23

Ibn Taymiyyah wrote in his *Majmoo' al-Fataawa*: This ayah shows that the Qur'ān is greater than the ahadith, the Previous Books (such as Torah and Bible) and the speech of humans.

The Qur'ān contains all kinds of knowledge and sciences, including the knowledge of the Dunya and the Hereafter. It tells stories of previous nations for us to analyse history to understand actions and their consequences. It has an eloquence that opens up the mind.

Spending time with the Qur'ān by reading it and pondering over its verses, its words and their usages causes you to start manifesting it in your everyday speech. The one who learns the Qur'ān has it on the tip of his tongue. His speech, actions and attitude change because of the knowledge he gains from it.

القرآن

THE MIRACLE OF THE QUR'ĀN'S MEANING IS GREATER THAN THE MIRACLE OF ITS WORDING.

2 The Wisdom Behind Sending Down the Qur'ān

Instead of internalising and acting upon the Qur'ān, a lot of people use it to decorate their houses and bookshelves.



We must understand that it is
The Book of Guidance
 And should be used to find the way to the Right Path.

Allah ﷻ sent down the Qur'ān as a cure, a reminder and mercy for us. He says:

16

يَأَيُّهَا النَّاسُ قَدْ جَاءَكُمْ مَوْعِظَةٌ مِّن رَّبِّكُمْ وَشِفَاءٌ لِّمَا فِي الصُّدُورِ وَهُدًى وَرَحْمَةٌ لِّلْمُؤْمِنِينَ

O humanity! Indeed, there has come to you a warning from your Lord, a cure for what is in the hearts, a guide, and a mercy for the believers.

Surah Yunus 57

He ﷻ sent it down so that we can learn good manners. We have the example of our Prophet (ﷺ) whose character and manners were derived from the Qur'ān. Our mother Aisha (رضي الله عنها) said:

17

فَإِنَّ خُلُقَ نَبِيِّ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ كَانَ الْقُرْآنَ

The character of the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) was the Qur'an.

Sahih Muslim 746a

It is supposed to be our source of happiness. The happiest person is the one who is close to this Book. It benefits him in this world and in the Hereafter. He ﷻ says:

18

قُلْ بِفَضْلِ اللَّهِ وَبِرَحْمَتِهِ فَبِذَلِكَ فَلْيَفْرَحُوا هُوَ خَيْرٌ مِّمَّا يَجْمَعُونَ

Say: "In the Bounty of Allāh, and in His Mercy (i.e. Islām and the Qur'ān); - therein let them rejoice." That is better than what (the wealth) they amass.

Surah Yunus 58

It brings tranquillity to the heart and the mind. When people learn or study the Qur'ān, Allah ﷻ mentions them to the angels. The Prophet (ﷺ) said:

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(...) وَمَا اجْتَمَعَ قَوْمٌ فِي بَيْتٍ مِنْ بُيُوتِ اللَّهِ يَتْلُونَ كِتَابَ اللَّهِ وَيَتَدَارَسُونَهُ بَيْنَهُمْ إِلَّا نَزَلَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ السَّكِينَةُ وَغَشِيَتْهُمْ الرَّحْمَةُ وَحَفَّتْهُمُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ وَذَكَرَهُمُ اللَّهُ فِيمَنْ عِنْدَهُ (...)

(...) and those persons who assemble in the house among the houses of Allah (mosques) and recite the Book of Allah and they learn and teach the Qur'an (among themselves) there would descend upon them tranquillity and mercy would cover them and the angels would surround them and Allah mentions them in the presence of those near Him (...)

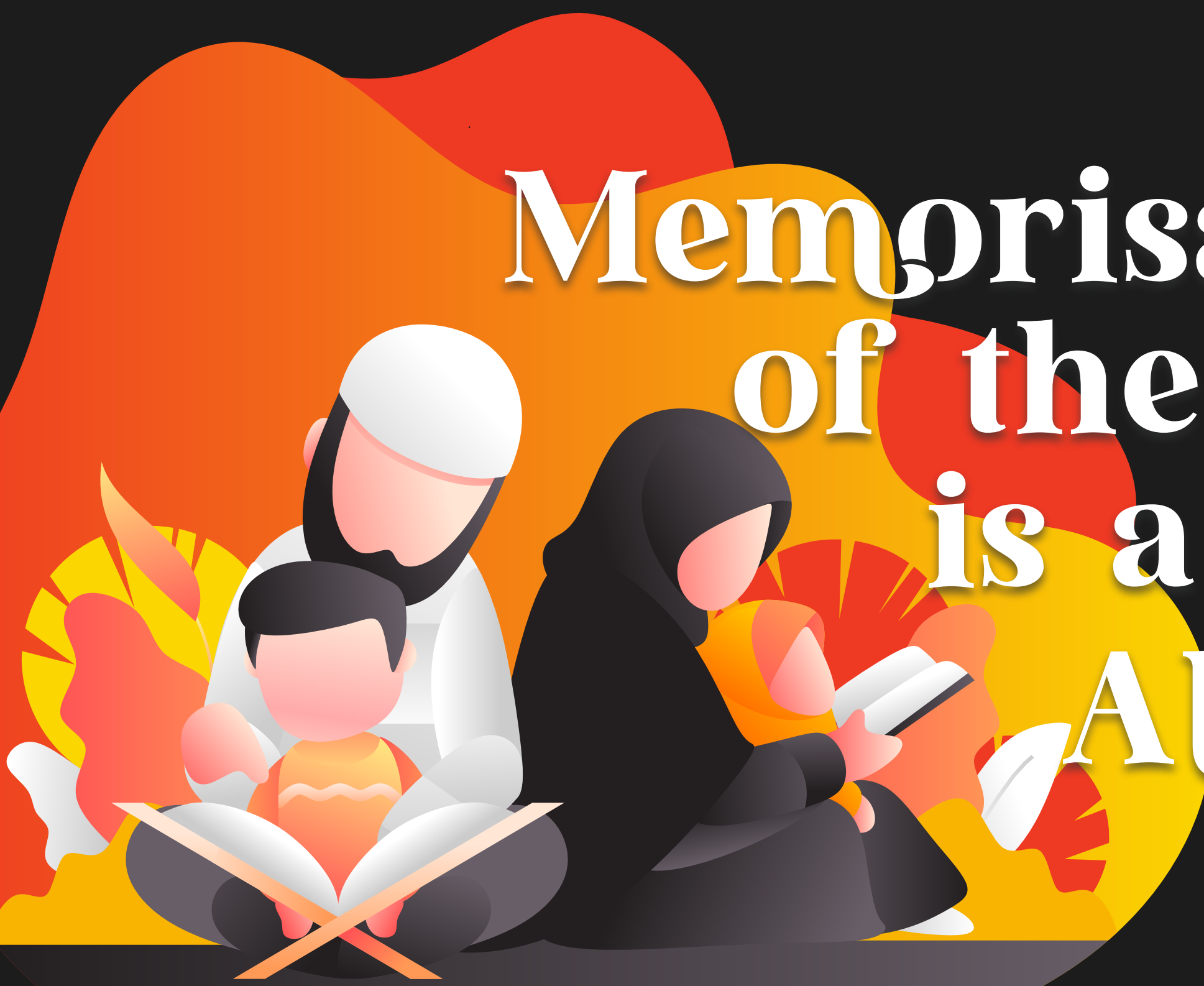
Sahih Muslim 2699a

The best people one can accompany are the people of the Qur'ān. 'Umar (رضي الله عنه) used to keep the Qurra' of his time - both young and old - close to him and invite them to his gatherings.

A person who memorises the Qur'ān and understands its meanings is from the people of knowledge.

3 The Virtues of Learning the Qur'ān

Memorisation of of the Qur'an is a sign of Allah's جَلِيلًا mercy.



Ibn Kathir said: Allah ﷻ sent down the Qur'ān on His slaves and made its memorisation and understanding easy for the one He has mercy on. As for him who is ignorant of the knowledge of the Qur'ān, he cannot benefit from these arguments.

The best of people are those who study and teach the Qur'ān, as our Prophet (ﷺ) said:

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خَيْرُكُمْ مَنْ تَعَلَّمَ الْقُرْآنَ وَعَلَّمَهُ

Narrated `Uthman: The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "The best among you (Muslims) are those who learn the Qur'an and teach it."

Sahih al-Bukhari 5027

“LEARNING THE QUR'AN IS BETTER
THAN THE WEALTH OF THIS DUNYA.”

Reading and memorising the Qur'ān increases one's Imaan. It strengthens people's hearts and helps them remain steadfast on the Right Path. This was the reason why it was revealed gradually over a period of 23 years, in accordance with the events that took place and the rulings that the Sahaaba (رضي الله عنهم) needed in certain situations.

The Prophet (ﷺ) said:

21

مَثَلُ الَّذِي يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ وَهُوَ حَافِظٌ لَهُ مَعَ السَّفَرَةِ الْكِرَامِ الْبَرَّةِ، وَمَثَلُ الَّذِي يَقْرَأُ الْقُرْآنَ وَهُوَ يَتَعَاهَدُهُ وَهُوَ عَلَيْهِ شَدِيدٌ، فَلَهُ أَجْرَانِ

Narrated Aisha: The Prophet (ﷺ) said, "Such a person as recites the Qur'an and masters it by heart, will be with the noble righteous scribes. And such a person exerts himself to learn the Qur'an by heart, and recites it with great difficulty, will have a double reward."

Sahih al-Bukhari 4937

Qaadhi Iyaad al-Yahsubi said: This hadith indicates that the one who masters his memorisation of the Qur'ān will be with the noble scribes on the Day of Judgement. It could also mean that such a person performs an action similar to that of those angels, thus he treads their path.

Ibn al-Jawzi said: The Salaf would busy their children with memorising the Qur'ān and listening to ahadith.

For people who say they cannot memorise the Qur'ān because they have advanced in age - **Abu Bakr (رضي الله عنه) memorised the Qur'ān at the age of 61.**

The one who memorises the Qur'ān will rise through the ranks of Jannah depending on the extent of their memorisation, as the Prophet informed us:

22

يُقَالُ يَعْني لِصَاحِبِ الْقُرْآنِ أَقْرَأُ وَارْتَقَى وَرَتَّلَ كَمَا كُنْتَ تُرَتِّلُ فِي الدُّنْيَا فَإِنَّ مَنْزِلَتَكَ عِنْدَ آخِرِ آيَةٍ تَقْرَأُ بِهَا

Narrated 'Abdullah bin 'Amr: the Prophet (ﷺ) said: "It shall be said - meaning to the one who memorised the Qur'an - 'Recite, and rise up, recite (melodiously) as you would recite in the world. For indeed your rank shall be at the last Ayah you recited.

Jami' at-Tirmidhi 2914 - Graded Hasan

The Qur'ān will intercede for its companion on the Day of Judgement.

4

Feeling Khashya and Crying While Reciting the Qur'ān

Maymoon Ibn Mehraan once complained to al-Hasan al-Basri about the hardness of his heart, whereupon he recited a few verses of Surah as-Shu'ara to him. Maymoon began to weep. He kept on crying until he fainted.

The Qur'ān should have an effect on your heart. Allah ﷻ says:

23

لَوْ أَنزَلْنَاهُ هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ عَلَى جَبَلٍ لَّرَأَيْتَهُ خَاشِعًا مُّتَصَدِّعًا مِّنْ خَشْيَةِ اللَّهِ ۚ وَتِلْكَ الْأَمْثَلُ نُضْرِبُهَا لِلنَّاسِ لَعَلَّهُمْ يَتَفَكَّرُونَ

Had We sent down this Qur'ân on a mountain, you would surely have seen it humbling itself and rent asunder by the fear of Allâh. Such are the parables which We put forward to mankind that they may reflect.

Surah al-Hashr 21

Not finding oneself in a state of Khashya and tears due to recitation of the Qur'ān may mean that there is hardness in a person's heart.

Crying while reciting or listening to the Qur'ān is a sign of Imaan. Allah ﷻ says:

24

إِنَّمَا الْمُؤْمِنُونَ الَّذِينَ إِذَا ذُكِرَ اللَّهُ وَجِلَتْ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَإِذَا تُلِيَتْ عَلَيْهِمْ آيَاتُهُ زَادَتْهُمْ إِيمَانًا وَعَلَىٰ رَبِّهِمْ يَتَوَكَّلُونَ

The believers are only those who, when Allâh is mentioned, feel a fear in their hearts and when His Verses (this Qur'ân) are recited unto them, they (i.e. the Verses) increase their Faith; and they put their trust in their Lord (Alone).

Surah al-Anfal 2

It is from the actions of our Prophet (ﷺ) and the Sahaaba (رضي الله عنهم):

25

عَنْ مُطَرِّفٍ، عَنْ أَبِيهِ، قَالَ أَتَيْتُ النَّبِيَّ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ وَهُوَ يُصَلِّي وَلَجَوْفِهِ أَزِيزٌ كَأَزِيْرِ الْمِرْجَلِ يَغْنِي بَيْتِي

It was narrated from Mutarrif that his father said: "I came to the Prophet (ﷺ) when he was praying, and there was a sound coming from his chest like the sound of water boiling," meaning, he was weeping.

Sunan an-Nasa'i 1214

5 Advice Regarding Memorisation of The Qur'ān

Below are some tips to help you memorise the Qur'ān:

01

Stick to one Mushaf

- it helps you remember where a certain ayah begins and ends on a page.

02

Memorise under a Qur'ān teacher

- who can correct subtle mistakes in your recitation.

03

Memorise a new portion daily

Failing to do so weakens one's aspiration and Hifdh.

04

Repetition

- the more you repeat a verse, the stronger your memorisation becomes.

05

Start from Surah an-Nas and go up to al-Baqarah.

06

Prioritise revision in situations where you cannot do both (i.e. revision and memorisation)

07

Do not proceed to memorise the next page unless you have mastered the current one.

It often happens that during the first two years following the completion of their Hifdh, people make mistakes in their recitation and forget verses easily. DO NOT let Shaitaan use this as an opportunity to deter you from this path. Avoid his whispers, stay consistent in terms of revision and read about the virtues of learning the Qur'ān in case your aspiration weakens.

How much should one memorise daily?

- 1 Aim to memorise 1 page daily
- 2 If your memorisation is good and strong, you can increase it to 2 pages
- 3 If 1 page seems challenging to you, do half a page every day
- 4 Do not go beyond 2 pages

“ REVISION IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN MEMORISING A NEW PORTION. ”

6 Method for Memorising the Qur'ān

- STEP 1 Read the portion you wish to memorise to a teacher, say 1 page
- STEP 2 Divide the page into 2 parts
- STEP 3 Read the 1st verse 20 times
- STEP 4 Then read the 2nd verse 20 times
- STEP 5 Connect the 1st and 2nd verses by reading them together 20 times
- STEP 6 Then read the next verse 20 times
- STEP 7 Connect it with the previous verse by reading them together 20 times
- STEP 8 Repeat the process until you reach the first half of the page (portion)
- STEP 9 Read the entire first half 20 times
- STEP 10 Read the first verse of the next half 20 times and connect it to the last verse of the first half by reading them 20 times
- STEP 11 Continue reading, repeating and connecting the verses of the second half until you reach the end of the page
- STEP 12 Finally, read the entire page 20 times

Suppose you finished memorising your portion for today. Before you leave, go through the portion you aim to take up tomorrow.

The next day, before you start with the new portion, revise the one you memorised the previous day. This helps you connect one page (portion) with another. Strive to revise about 4 Ajza (or more) daily and finish the Qur'ān every 7 days.

Ibn al-Jawzi said: **One of the greatest harms suffered by a person who does not revise the Qur'ān is that he forgets it as if he never memorised it in the first place.**



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